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Subject: Media Contact by Lakeland Time on Tower Standard in Lac du Flambeau

I had a brief conversation with Brian Jopec from the Lakeland Times relating to the Tower Standard Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) site. We had been trading voice messages for the past few days.

Brain was looking for background information/story on the site. I gave him a brief history of the site. The site had been closed in the mid 2000's relying on natural attenuation to address residual contamination. The initial investigation and cleanup was restricted due to a neighbor denying access to their adjoining property. EPA at the request of the Lac du Flambeau Tribe investigated the environmental impacts associated with a fire at a fireworks stand across the highway from the Tower Standard site. During their investigation they found residual groundwater contamination associated with the closed site which lead to it being reopened in 2015. DNR has been working with EPA and the Lac du Flambeau Tribe to investigate the site which is owned by a non-tribal member but within the reservation boundaries of the Lac du Flambeau reservation. We are waiting for a report from EPA's contractor discussing potential clean-up options with the hope that we could implement a portion of the remedy this fall. We also discussed that indicated that Bill and Linda Kozak, the property owners were hoping to have the cleanup done as soon as possible because the property is for sale.

Brain requested that I contact him after we receive the report from EPA. He was intending to run a short article in the Tuesday's edition of the Lakeland Times.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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